എ. ഇപ്പോൾ പബ്ലിക്ക് റോഡുകളുടെ ഇരുവശങ്ങളിലും മെറ്റലും ചരലും തട്ടിയിട്ട് വരുന്നതായും, അതിൽനിന്നും പൊതുജനങ്ങൾക്കും വാഹനങ്ങൾക്കും അസൗകര്യവും, അപകടവും നേരിടാൻ ഇടയുള്ളതായും ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

ബി. റോഡ് ഒഴിച്ചുള്ള പുറമ്പോക്ക് സ്ഥലങ്ങളിൽമാത്രം മെറ്റലും ചരലും തട്ടിക്കൂട്ടണമെന്ന്, മേലാൽ വേണ്ട നിർദ്ദേശം ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിന് നൽകാൻ ഗവണ്മെൻറ് ശ്രദ്ധിക്കുമോ?

HON'BLE MR. A. ATCHUTHAN: (*a*) The stacking of road materials on road margins are generally done without endangering the traffic.

(*b*) Yes; Wherever such convenient porombokes by the side of the roads are available.

തീപ്പെട്ടിവ്യവസായം നടത്തപ്പെടുന്ന വ്യവസായികളുടെ അവശത.

159. MR. MUHAMMED MUSTAFA:

എ. കുടിൽവ്യവസായാടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ തീപ്പെട്ടി നിർമ്മാണം നടത്തപ്പെടുന്ന കുറെ വ്യവസായികളിൽനിന്നും അവരുടെ അവശതകളെപ്പറ്റി ഉള്ള ഒരു മെമ്മോറാണ്ടം ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു ലഭിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

ബി. ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിന്മേൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറ് എന്തുനടപടി നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു വെളിപ്പെടുത്തുമോ?

HON'BLE MR. T. M. VARGHESE: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration of Government.

Demurrage on account of transportation of food grains,

160. MR. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Food be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any amount has been paid to the Shipping Companies as demurrage on account of transportation of food grains; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative what is the total amount on this account from the beginning to this day?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Total amount paid is B. Rs. 5,487-12-1.

Transport buses.

161. MR. DANIEL JOSE, N. (*Neyyattinkara III—S. I. U. C.*): Will the Hon'ble Minister for Transport be pleased to state:

(*a*) when will the new transport buses be on the roads; and

(*b*) will it be possible then, to run buses at least at half hour intervals in the Neyyattinkara-Trivandrum route in view of the very large number of passengers?

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HON'BLE MR. A. ATCHUTHAN: (*a*) In the course of the next three months.

(*b*) This is being done even now.

Wild elephants.

162. DR. M. O. CHERIYAN: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether he has received petitions and representations from the cultivators in Marayoor area in Devicolam taluk regarding extensive damage to paddy crops caused by periodical visits of half a dozen wild elephants; and

(*b*) what steps the Government have taken to ameliorate the cultivators suffering caused through these wild animals?

HON'BLE MR. K. M. KORAH: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) They are being enquired into.

Mineral companies.

163. MR. K. A. MUHAMMED: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Industries be pleased to place on the table a copy of the Mining agreement that Government have entered into with these mineral companies?

HON'BLE MR. T. M. VARGHESE: A Copy of the Mining Agreement is placed on the table.

AGREEMENT.

THIS AGREEMENT is made on the twenty-fourth day of September 1946 BETWEEN THE DEWAN OF TRAVANCORE (hereinafter referred to as the Dewan which expression shall where the context so admits be deemed to include his successors in office) acting for and on behalf of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Ttavancore (hereinafter referred to as the Government) of the one part and THE TRAVANCORE MINERALS COMPANY LIMITED a Company incorporated under the English Companies Acts and having its registered office at 2 High Street WORKING in the Country of Surrey in England (hereinafter referred to as the Company which expression shall where the context so admits be deemed to include its assigns) of the other part WHEREAS:

(i) The Company has for many years been carrying on mining operations in the State of Travancore under various leases and eventually under a lease dated 16th November 1928 which expired oy 15th November 1943 and temporary extensions thereof granted bn the Government.

(ii) All the mineral sands of Travancore are the exclusive property of the Government and the Government have agreed that the mining dressing and sale of the said sands (except Monazite) shall be carried out by the Company and three other Companies to wit (a) Hopkin and Williams (Travancore) Limited (b) F. X. Pereira and Sons (Travancore) Limited. (c) The Associated Mineral Company Limited.

NOW in consideration of the premises IT IS HEREBY AGREED and declared as follows:

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